



GREATEST AMATEUR RACING EVENT IN THE WORLD

Astoria, Oregon  
July 22, 1951

*Soap Box Derby*

## *America's Secret Weapon*

This program of the First Annual Astoria Soapbox Derby is dedicated to the boys of today who are building skills that America will use tomorrow.

The contest is much more than an athletic event. The real benefits of the race are being stored for the future when the boys who learned to work with their hands become skilled artists.

It is the background of skill with hands and brains that is the real secret weapon of America. It is the one thing that has never been duplicated by any nation. It has been said by military leaders to be more precious than all of our most secret arms.

Boys who have given their time and efforts to the race will develop in some measure that competitive spirit that has kept the nation free and strong. Parents and neighbors have a right to be proud of these boys today. Tomorrow, the nation will be proud of them.

The sponsors of this race, the Lovell Auto Company and the Astorian-Budget, are thankful that they have been able to contribute to the boys of this region.



**JOHN KILPACK**  
Lovell Auto Co.  
Derby Director



**HAROLD HUGHES**  
Astorian-Budget  
Assistant Derby Director



# DERBY STAFF



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Astorian-Budget



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Lovell Auto Co.

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Track Layout



**Hal Jensen**  
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Inspection



**Gill Rush**  
Concession



**Howard Hedrick**  
Program



**Harold Snow**  
Judges



**Warren Grimberg**  
Publicity



## CONTESTANTS

1—Don Johnson



Floyd Reith & Sons

2—Albert Klang



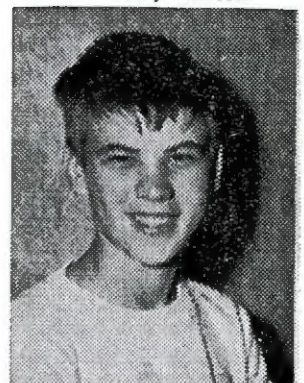
Greenberg's Furniture

3—Robert Clement



Roman Appliance

4—Jerry Lawson



Seaside Moose

5—Phillip Shoop



Lion's Club

8—Robert Bentley



Lion's Club

9—Lynn Heesch



Shaner & Co.

10—Wayne Blackburn



Astoria Moose

12—Tom Wells



Reed & Grimberg

13—Jim Lopakka



Astoria Elks



## CONTESTANTS

14—Henry Sjoblom



Finnish Market

15—Lloyd Bennett



Rotary Club

16—Rex Prechel



Ed Fearey & Co.

17—Bill Stanley



Lower Columbia Dairy

19—John Petersen



Astoria Business Equipment

21—David Rinell



Brookfield Co.

22—Mickey Smith



Fisher Bros.

24—Doug Ferguson



Burke's Men's Store

25—William Palmberg



Astoria Oil Co.

26—Michael Brunmeier



Knights of Columbus

NO.

NAME

## CLASS A

TIME

TIME

WILLIAM PALMBERG	PALMBERG	
LARRY CAMPBELL		Palmberg
CHARLES ALBIN	SWENSEN	
DICK SWENSEN		
BOB CAMPBELL	CAMPBELL	
BILL SPENCE		LAWSON
LAWSON	LAWSON	
FERGUSON		
REX RECHER	HEAD	
DANNY HEAD		ROPPELL
ROPPELL	ROPPELL	
RANNELL		
SMITH	(RINNELL - BYE)	
RINNELL	Johnson	Johnson
PETERSON	PETERSON	
ALBIN		
Johnson	Morrison	
BLACKBURN		Shoop
KOSKELA	Shoop	
Shoop		
Shafe	Rinnelli	
Shaper		



NO.

NAME

## CLASS B

TIME

TIME

NO.	NAME	CLASS B	TIME
	DONALD CONE ✓	STANLEY	
	HENRY SJOBLOM		SJOBLOM
	JAMES KUOMA ✓	LINDSTROM	
	TOMMY LINDSTROM		
	DONALD LADDWELL	LADDWELL	
	<del>FRED CAMPBELL</del>		M <sup>C</sup> CALLISTER
	BILL STANLEY ✓	M <sup>C</sup> CALLISTER	
	M <sup>C</sup> CALLISTER		
	EDDIE HALL ✓	BENNETT	
	LYON BENNETT		J Stanley
	BRUNMEIER	J STANLEY	
	J STANLEY		
	REILLY ✓	KLANG	
	KLANG		KLANG
	HEESCH ✓	HEESCH	
	JARUNEVY		
	WELLS	WELLS	
	LOPANA		WELLS
	CLEMENT	CLEMENT	
	BENTLEY		

NO.

NAME

## CLASS B

TIME

John Stanley

HENR SJOLBLOM

KLAWG

WELLS

J. McALLISTER

(Jim M<sup>c</sup>CALLISTER)Prize

434 - TAYLOR AVE

WELLS

TIME  
WELLS

STOLBLOM

## CLASS A

Palmberg

LAWSON

ROPELL

PINWELL

Johnson

Shoop

Palmberg

ROPELL

Johnson

Johnson

Palmberg

Palmberg

## FINAL



## CONTESTANTS

27—Don Landwehr



City Lumber & Supply Co.

29—James Luoma



Pacific Power & Light Co.

30—Jim McCallister



Ed. Niemi

32—Danny Head



Interstate Tractor & Equip.

34—Dick Swensen



Astoria Public Market

36—James Reilly



American Legion

38—David Jarvinen



KVAS

40—John Rannells



Astoria Plywood

41—Edward Hall



McGregor's Supply

42—Bob Campbell



Substitute Driver



## CONTESTANTS

43—Larry Campbell



Larson Dairy

44—Ernie Campbell



Seaside Dairy Queen

45—Jim Albin



U. S. National Bank

46—Chas. Albin



Snow's Electric

47—John Stanley



Knights of Pythias

48—Tom Lindstrom



Dr. Lindstrom

49—Bill Sporre



Astoria Sporting Goods

50—Glen Morrison



Astoria Elks

51—Henry Schulte



Newell Chevrolet

11—Joe Koskela



Point Adams Packing

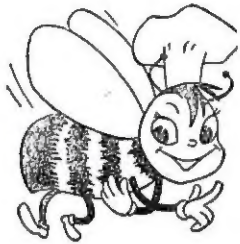
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37—Donald Caen  
Loop & Jacobson

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28—Frank Roppel  
Builders' Supply





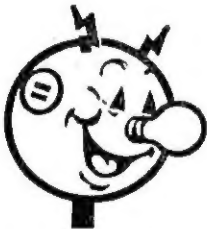
In the Soapbox Derby It's Speed That Counts  
... In Seafood It's Quality!

**COLUMBIA RIVER PACKERS ASSN., INC.**

ASTORIA, ORE.



**BETTER BUY  
BUMBLE BEE BRAND**



REDDY KILOWATT extends his  
best wishes to all the boys in  
the ASTORIA SOAPBOX DERBY.

**PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY**

YOUR Chevrolet, Buick and Cadillac Dealer  
is proud to be a co-sponsor of Astoria's First  
Official Soapbox Derby.

All our best wishes ride with the Astoria  
winner at the National Race.

**Lovell Auto Co.**

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**BEST OF LUCK  
TO ALL THE BOYS  
IN THE ASTORIA SOAPBOX DERBY**

**SHELL OIL CO.**